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Ms. Molly Dwyer Clerk of the Court United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit 95 Seventh Street San Francisco, California 94103

Re: Federal Rule of Appellate Procedure 28(j) Notice of Supplemental Authority: *Murray v. Time, Inc.*, Case No. 12-17591

Dear Ms. Dwyer:

Plaintiff-Appellant Nicholas Murray submits the enclosed supplemental authority, decided after Murray filed his Opening and Reply Briefs: *In re Sony Gaming Networks & Customer Data Sec. Breach Litig.*, \_\_ F.R.D. \_\_, No. 11-MD-2258 (AJB), 2014 WL 223677 (S.D. Cal. Jan. 21, 2014) (hereinafter cited as *In re Sony*). *In re Sony* supports Murray's argument that California's Shine the Light ("STL") law, Cal. Civ. Code § 1798.83, allows consumers to seek injunctive relief *without* suffering actual damages.

In *In re Sony*, Judge Battaglia analyzed a complaint stemming from a breach of Sony's computer systems. *In re Sony*, 2014 WL 223677 at \*1-2. The complaint brought a claim under the California Database Breach Act ("DBA"), Cal. Civ. Code § 1798.82, which is found in the same title—and shares the same statutory remedies provision, Cal. Civ. Code § 1798.84—as the STL law. *Id.* at \*52. Analyzing the remedies available under the DBA, Judge Battaglia denied Sony's motion to dismiss insofar as the plaintiffs sought injunctive relief and in so doing distinguished between the statutory standing required to pursue actual damages and injunctive relief. *Id.* at \*53. Specifically, Judge Battaglia held that though the plaintiffs hadn't alleged actual damages and therefore could not pursue relief under § 1798.84(b), the plaintiffs could still "pursue their injunctive relief claims under § 1798.84(e)," because that section "affords relief when a 'business violates,

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proposes to violate, or has violated' the DBA . . . . " *Id.* (quoting Cal. Civ. Code § 1798.84(e)).

Accordingly, *In re Sony* supports Murray's argument that the STL law provides a remedy in § 1798.84(e) that is available whether or not a plaintiff has suffered actual damages. (*See* Opening Brief, at 33-36; Reply Brief, at 14-16.)

Respectfully submitted,

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